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Title of Invention THIN-FILM MAGNETIC HEAD APPROPRIATELY SUPPRESSING SIDE FRINGING AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING THE SAME			

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is an Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116; and

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.

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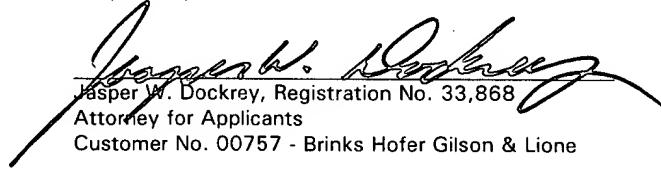
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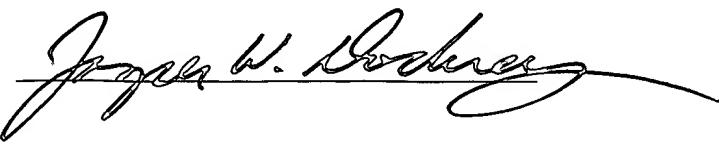
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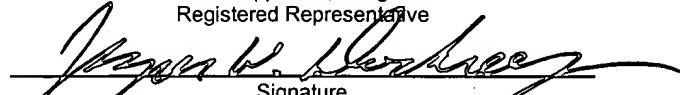
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 2, 2004, in the above-referenced application, the applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the final rejection in view of their remarks presented herein.

The pending claims are set forth beginning at page 5 of this paper.

Applicants' Remarks begin at page 7 of this paper.